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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Response to Amendment***

1. The amendment filed January 9, 2012 after a decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences is not entered because prosecution is closed and the proposed amendment was not suggested in an explicit statement by the Board under 37 CFR 41.50(c). As provided in 37 CFR 1.198, prosecution of the proceeding before the primary examiner will not be reopened or reconsidered by the primary examiner after a final decision of the Board except under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.114 (request for continued examination) or 37 CFR 41.50 without the written authority of the Director, and then only for the consideration of matters not already adjudicated, sufficient cause being shown. Also see MPEP 706.07(h)(XI) and MPEP 1214.07.

2. Applicants arguments submitted January 9, 2012 are moot because the arguments are drawn to unentered claims (see above). No RCE was filed.

### ***Time Period for Filing a Reply***

3. Applicant is given **one month**, or thirty (30) days, whichever is longer, from the mail date of this notice to supply the correction.

### ***Conclusion***

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to CLAIRE L. ROE whose telephone number is (571)272-

9809. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 9:30AM - 5:30PM, EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Barbara Gilliam can be reached on 571-272-1330. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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